

House Concurrent Resolution No. 49

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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1 **WHEREAS**, the state of Missouri has the most miles of free-flowing river in the
2 Missouri River basin, making our state highly susceptible to flooding; and

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4 **WHEREAS**, adjacent to the Missouri River lies some of the most fertile agriculture
5 lands in our state, which support local communities, schools, and hospitals; and

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7 **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has published a Draft Missouri River
8 Recovery Environmental Impact Statement containing six management plan alternatives, nearly
9 all of which increase the risk of flooding for Missouri residents; and

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11 **WHEREAS**, one of the alternatives prescribes a low summer flow, which would cause
12 severe harm to the navigation industry as well as power generation, water supply, and water
13 treatment utilities which draw intake from or discharge to the Missouri River; and

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15 **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' primary mission is to provide flood
16 control for the protection of human lives and property; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers should not advance any Missouri River
19 Recovery Program management plan that harms Missourians by increasing flood risk or one that
20 causes economic damage to various industries that utilize the river:

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22 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of
23 Representatives of the Ninety-ninth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate
24 concurring therein, hereby reaffirm Missouri's support of flood control and navigation being the
25 dominant congressionally authorized purposes for operation of the Missouri River and call upon
26 our congressional delegation to ensure any future management plan adopted by the U.S. Army
27 Corps of Engineers stays true to congressional intent; and

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29 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
30 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for each
31 member of the Missouri congressional delegation.

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